speedy and uninterrupted means of communication to areas which have potential for growth.

Book-stall at Stations

4622. SHRI BARE LAL JATAV: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether M/s A. H. Wheeler are the only contractor of book stalls on railway stations; and

(b) if so, the reasons therefor and since when they have been allotted those contracts?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MALLIKARJUN): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

New Tourism Policy

4623. SHRI BALRAJ PASSI
SHRI VIRENDRA SINGH:
DR. LAXMINARAYAN PANDEYA:
SHRI CHETAN P. S. CHAUHAN:

Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM be pleased to state:

(a) whether any national tourism policy based on the recommendations of Yunus Committee and Tata Committee Reports has been framed by the Union Government; if so, the details thereof;

(b) the details of main recommendations of these Committees which have been accepted and included in the new tourism policy; and

(c) if not, the reasons thereof?

THE MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM (SHRI MADHAVRAO SCINDIA): (a) to (c) A review of the recommendations of the Yunus Committee and Tata Committee Reports has been initiated recently. The tourism policy would be formulated after this review and consultations with other agencies is completed.

[Translation]

Railway Passes to Freedom Fighters for Rajdhani and Shatabdi Express

4624. SHRI ARVIND NETAM: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether freedom fighters are not allowed to travel by Rajdhani and Shatabdi Express;

(b) if so, whether the Government propose to allow them to travel in these trains on their passes; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MALLIKARJUN): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) No, Sir.

(c) Normally fare paying passengers and Railway employees on Duty are allowed to travel by Rajdhani and Shatabdi Express trains.

[English]

Oil Fields Open for Alien Firms

4625. SHRI RAM NAIK: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) whether attention of the Government has been drawn to the